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In re	U.S. Patent Application of)
SATO et al.) Art Unit 1765
Appli	cation Number: 10/648,399)
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For:	METHOD FOR CONVERTING AND PURIFYING MATERIALS FOR MODIFYING SURFACES OF))
	SEMICONDUCTOR NANOPARTICLES)
Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0122)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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